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DETAILED ACTION

In response to the communication filed on March 3, 2004 and June 28, 2004, claims 1-4, 9-13, 15-17, 19-24 are active in this application.

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on March 3, 2004 and June 28, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant stated that the new added claims 21 to 24 read on the original elected species III dated on September 15, 2003. The Examiner disagrees because claim 24 reads on the non-elected species IV (see Office Action dated on Jan. 28, 2003 through September 8, 2003) and the new amended claim 11 reads on the non-elected species I and II. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jack Chen whose telephone number is (571)272-1689. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (9:00am-6:30pm) alternate Monday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Carl W Whitehead can be reached on (571)272-1702. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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